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SUBJECT: Early Refugee Report Describing Soviet Ballistic Missiles in Cuba

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A Cuban refugee who entered the US on 18 September described to interrogators in Florida missiles he had seen being transported through Havana on the night of 12 September. To assist his description, he drew a rough sketch. Later, from photographs shown him, he identified the Surface-to-Surface, SS-4 MRBM. The report of his interrogation was disseminated to intelligence analysts in cable form on 24 September 1962, and in "hard copy" on 27 September. The report included the fact that the source had drawn a sketch, but it did not include the sketch itself, and the sketch was never delivered in Washington. The report did include the fact, however, that the source had identified the SS-4 MRBM, as well as the details from his verbal description.

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